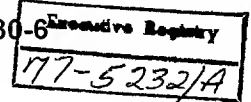


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Honorable Peter W. Rodino, Jr., Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is in response to your request for our views on H.R. 6881, a private bill to restore Mrs. Olson's survivorship pension under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act.

On 17 July 1975, the Olson family filed a wrongful death claim with the Central Intelligence Agency under the Federal Tort Claims Act for money damages. However, a suit under the Act would undoubtedly have failed as the courts have consistently held that the Federal Employees' Compensation Act provides the exclusive remedy for death resulting from work-related injury. The White House and the Agency, in consultation with the Olson family attorney, agreed to support a private bill. The private bill provided \$1.25 million compensation to the surviving members of the immediate family of Dr. Olson and terminated Mrs. Olson's pension of \$800.00 a month. When the bill, S. 3035, was passed last year, however, the amount of the compensation was reduced by the Congress to \$750,000 and the pension terminated. This Agency has supported fair and equitable compensation to the Olson family, and we have no objection to H.R. 6881.

The Office of Management and Budget has advised there is no objection to the submission of this report from the standpoint of the Administration's program.

Yours sincerely,

STANSFIELD TURNER

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House of Representatives
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Sincerely,

John F. Blake
Acting Director

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House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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The Office of Management and Budget has advised there is no objection to the submission of this report from the standpoint of the Administration's program.

Yours sincerely,

STANSFIELD TURNER

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Attached for your signature is a views letter on H.R. 6881, a private bill to restore the survivorship pension to Mrs. Olson, whose husband died as a result of drug testing. You signed and we sent to OMB for clearance another views letter on this bill. OMB has come back to us and requested that we make one change in our letter, namely, that we mention the "special circumstances" surrounding Mr. Olson's death as the basis for our not objecting to this legislation. OMB wants us to do this so that the Administration's support for the bill sets as narrow a precedent as possible for a special survivorship pension. We have made this change in the attached letter and cleared it with OGC and Office of Personnel.

George L. Cary

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Please do not date any copies of the letter to Chairman Rodino, and return all copies to OLC. When clearance is received from OMB we will date and distribute copies. Thank you.

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 Congress
 27 July STAT

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

[Redacted]
Acting Legislative Counsel

SUBJECT: H.R. 6881, the Olson Bill

1. ☐ Action Requested: Attached for your consideration and signature is a letter to Chairman Rodino on H.R. 6881, a private bill that would restore Mrs. Olson's survivorship pension under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA). The Agency is not objecting to the bill.

2. ☐ Background: On 17 July 1975, the Olson family filed a wrongful death claim with the Central Intelligence Agency under the Federal Tort Claims Act for money damages. However, a suit under the Act would undoubtedly have failed as the courts have consistently held that the FECA provides the exclusive remedy for death resulting from work-related injury. The White House and the Agency, in consultation with the Olson family attorney, agreed to support a private bill. The private bill provided a \$1.25 million compensation to the surviving members of the immediate family of Dr. Olson and terminated Mrs. Olson's pension of \$800.00 a month. When the private bill, S. 3035, was passed last year, however, the amount of the compensation was reduced by the Congress to \$750,000 and Mrs. Olson's pension was terminated.

The congressional sponsors of H.R. 6881 feel that the amount cut in the compensation requested was too drastic and that it was inequitable to terminate the pension.

3. ☐ Staff Position: Some difference of opinion has always existed within the Agency on the equities of supporting a private bill for the Olson family in the face of a long history of treating performance-of-duty employee death cases exclusively under FECA. However, there have been no changes in the circumstances which justified previous Executive Branch support for a private bill. Thus, it seems that we should continue to support fair and equitable compensation to the Olson family by indicating we have no objection to a bill to restore Mrs. Olson's survivorship pension.

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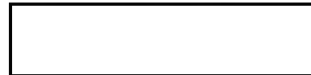
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The Offices of General Counsel and Personnel concur in the recommendation set forth below.

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4. ☐ Recommendation: That you sign the attached letter which takes the position that you have no objection to H.R. 6881.



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Attachment

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TO 10: Please prepare response for DCI signature.

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COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

July 27, 1977

Honorable Stansfield Turner
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

RE: H.R. 6881 - To amend the Act entitled "An Act for the relief of Alice W. Olson, Lisa Olson Hayward, Eric Olson, and Nils Olson."

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are copies of the captioned bill pending before this Committee.

I shall appreciate your furnishing the Committee with an expression of your views on the proposed legislation.

Sincerely yours,

Prof. W. R. Rind

Peter W. Rodino, Jr.
Chairman

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Note: Please send four copies of your report.

cc: Office of Management and Budget
Room 460, Legislative Reference Division
Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20503

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95TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 6881

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 3, 1977

Mr. BRONX introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To amend the Act entitled "An Act for the relief of Alice W. Olson, Lisa Olson Hayward, Eric Olson, and Nils Olson."

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Act entitled "An Act for the relief Alice W.
4 Olson, Lisa Olson Hayward, Eric Olson, and Nils Olson" is
5 amended in the second sentence of the first section thereof
6 by inserting a period after "death" and striking out all
7 through the end of the section.

8 SEC. 2. The restoration of benefits effected by the amend-
9 ment made by the first section of this Act shall take retro-
10 active effect to the date next following the date on which
11 such benefits were terminated and received by the said
12 Alice W. Olson.

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1 Aug 77
FROM: Approved For Release 2004/03/15 : CIA-RDP80M00165A001800070030-6

Peter W. Rodino
Chairman, Committee
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Att: A Bill H.R. 6881
28 July 77: Orig w/att to DCI via ES fm mail.
29 July 77: Orig w/att to OLC f/action fm D/ES: cys w/att f/info to DCI: DDCI: OGC: ER via R.B. EXT SUS. 1 Aug 77.

Interim letter signed by
Mr. Cary went out 2 Aug.

Per Joan
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